

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

1. (Currently Amended) A battery pack comprising:

a rechargeable battery including a battery case having an end aperture and accommodating elements for electromotive force;

a metal sealing plate sealing the end aperture and having a sealing plate surface facing outward from the battery case;

~~a rechargeable battery including a safety vent by forming~~ formed by a  
release opening in the metal sealing plate ~~[[,]]~~ for externally releasing internal  
abnormal pressure of ~~[[a]] the battery case~~ , on a metal sealing plate sealing an  
~~open end of the battery case accommodating elements for electromotive force ; and~~

a substrate ~~[[,]]~~ having external terminals ~~thereon~~ , being provided and  
having a substrate surface disposed spaced from ~~[[above]]~~ the sealing plate surface  
and positioned opposing the sealing plate surface;

the sealing plate surface including circuit components mounted thereon;

~~the rechargeable battery and the substrate being integrated by a resin~~

molding filled and molded between and bonded via said molding to the sealing plate surface, [[and]] the substrate surface and the components on the substrate surface; and ~~wherein~~

the resin molding [[is]] being molded with filled resin and ~~forms~~ and forming an operating space [[for]] the safety vent ~~therein~~.

2. (Currently Amended) The battery pack according to claim 1, wherein the safety vent is a clad vent structure which is formed by closing the release opening with a foil-like material at [[its]] a side of the sealing plate facing [[the]] an inner side of the battery case.

3. (Currently Amended) The battery pack according to claim 1, wherein the operating space ~~is formed and~~ opens to an outer surface of the resin molding.

4. (Currently Amended) The battery pack according to claim 1, wherein the substrate includes an opening portion connecting through to the operating space ~~is formed on the substrate.~~

5. (Previously Presented) The battery pack according to claim 1, wherein a porous material is provided to inside of the operating space.

6. (Currently Amended) The battery pack according to claim 1, wherein the release opening of the safety vent of the sealing plate is covered by a ~~sheet-like~~ sheet member prior to the resin filling and the resin molding bonds to the sheet member.

7. (Currently Amended) The battery pack according to claim 6, wherein the ~~sheet-like sheet~~ sheet member is formed with its side surfaces being exposed to ~~outer~~ surface outside the battery pack.

8. (Currently Amended) The battery pack according to claim 6, wherein the ~~sheet-like sheet~~ sheet member is made with a porous material.

9. (Currently Amended) The battery pack according to claim 3 or 7, wherein further comprising a covering sheet covering externally opening portions of the operating space ~~are covered with a covering sheet~~ in a displaceable manner to permit venting.

10. (Previously Presented) The battery pack according to claim 1, further comprising a rubber-made sealing plug having a stem portion, and a lid portion

being molded to extend a projected area of the release opening of the safety vent, wherein the stem portion is press-fit into the release opening.

11. (Currently Amended) The battery pack according to claim 10, wherein a gap, extending along the stem portion from ~~[[its]]~~ a tip end of the stem portion to a stem base at the lid portion, is formed and positioned between the release opening of the safety vent and the sealing plug.